

## House Resolution 1687

By: Representatives Meadows of the 5<sup>th</sup>, Loudermilk of the 14<sup>th</sup>, and Graves of the 12<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the service of First SGT John David Blair and dedicating an intersection in his  
2 honor; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, First SGT John David Blair was the First Sergeant with Company A of the  
4 Georgia National Guard's 48th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Battalion 121st Infantry unit; and

5 WHEREAS, First SGT John David Blair was killed in action at Mado Zayi, Afghanistan,  
6 when a rocket-propelled grenade struck his vehicle; and

7 WHEREAS, he received many medals and commendations during his military career,  
8 including the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart; and

9 WHEREAS, this courageous soldier, in the spirit of the American patriot, volunteered to  
10 confront the dangers, privations, and discomforts of wartime service and in the spirit of  
11 humanity strived to keep the peace in Afghanistan with fortitude and steadfast resolve,  
12 making us as a nation truly proud; and

13 WHEREAS, all Americans owe a debt of gratitude to the men and women of our armed  
14 forces who risk their lives in the defense of freedom and to secure the blessings of liberty for  
15 this nation and other peoples of the world.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
17 GEORGIA that the members of this body hereby join in honoring the life and memory of  
18 First SGT John David Blair and dedicate the intersection of US 41 and SR 53 in Gordon  
19 County as the First SGT John David Blair Memorial Intersection.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
21 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the First SGT John David Blair  
22 Memorial Intersection.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
24 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of First SGT John  
25 David Blair and the Department of Transportation.